

TOWN OF NEWFIELDS BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, JULY 26, 2005

The meeting was called to order at 6:35pm. Selectmen present were James McIlroy, Janet Smith and Roberta Gerkin. Others present were Chief Reed, Reuben Hull, Wolfe Tone, Brian Hart and Wendy Chase.

Chief Reed informed the Board that he spoke to Lynne Sweet in regards to liability insurance discounts. Now that the Police Department is accredited the town should receive a discount on liability insurance. Lynne will look into it and get back to him.

The Police Department was awarded a \$6,000.00 Homeland Security grant. The money will go towards the Officers hand held radios.

Chief Reed presented a list of topics regarding the future of the Police Department to the Selectmen. The Board will discuss these topics with the Chief on Tuesday, August 9th.

Chief Reed informed the Board that he will be meeting with the Building Facilities Advisory Committee tomorrow evening.

Reuben Hull informed the Board that he will have the bid package for the front walkway ready by next week's Selectmen's meeting.

Reuben also informed the Board that he will be sending in the sidewalk grant application in at the end of the week. The Selectmen drafted a letter to be sent with the application.

Reuben updated the Board on the July 21st Planning Board meeting. The discussion on cul-de-sacs was tabled to next month's Planning Board meeting. Amendments were made and approved to the signage and lighting regulations. Reuben will email drafts of the village rezoning to the Selectmen.

Greg Corson and Jackie Horgan resigned from the Budget Advisory Committee.

Wolfe Tone and Brian Hart were in to discuss the proposed Piscassic Greenway easement with the Board.

A certified letter was received and read from Les Case.

Oil bids were opened. The Town received only one bid. James made a motion to put it out to bid again with a deadline of August 16, 2005, Janet seconded and all were in favor.

A copy of a letter to the Library Trustees from the Trustees of the Trust Funds was read. The letter was to inform the Library Trustees that all contents in the Library that were

bequeathed to the Town of Newfields by the late Isabel Paul can not be sold, auctioned or disposed of in any way due to her will.

Larry Arend had a Lawyer review the Isabel Paul will and was told that the Trustees could do what they wanted with the contents.

Barbara Byrne wrote a letter to the Board expressing her concerns on the rumors that the contents from the Library were being sold or disposed of.

James suggested the Board speak to the Library Trustees next week. The Board agreed. Wendy will call them and invite them to next week's meeting at 7:00pm.

James suggested that the Board set up a meeting with Terry Knowles, Registra of Trusts, and the Library Trustees, Cemetery Trustees and Trustees of the Trust Funds in the near future to discuss the laws and regulations the Trustees and the Board of Selectmen must follow in regards to town trusts.

A response letter was written to a resident in regards to their damaged mailbox.

James made a motion to approve the minutes of July 19, 2005 as amended, Roberta seconded and all were in favor.

Fran is reviewing the proposed salt shed easement.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 10:10pm and all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy V. Chase